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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Taro HOSOZAWA

Ser. No.: 10/767,753

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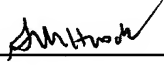
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For: MIXING TUBE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE MIXING TUBE

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
(37 CFR §1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114, for the above identified application.

2. This request is being submitted:

- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
- ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
  - ☐ Prior to payment of issue fee
  - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 was filed \_\_\_\_\_  
(copy attached).
- iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
  - ☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
- iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145 or
  - ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
    - ☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
    - ☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated.

3. Please Enter and Consider the following *Previously Submitted Document*:

- ☒ **Request for Reconsideration filed July 10, 2006.**  
☐ Brief on Appeal filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Other:

4. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449  
☒ **An Amendment**  
☐ New arguments  
☐ New evidence in support of patentability  
☐ Other:

5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

RCE Filing Fee (37 CFR §1.17(e))						\$ 790.00
Claims	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	No. of Extra Claims Present		
Total Claims	<b>11</b>	Minus	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	\$ 50.00	
Independent Claims	<b>1</b>	Minus	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	\$ 200.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)					\$ 360.00	
<p align="center"><u>Extension of Term</u></p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) ..... \$ 120.00  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) ..... \$ 450.00  <input type="checkbox"/> Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) ..... \$1,020.00</p> <p>If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.</p>						\$ 450.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>						\$1,240.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.						
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>						\$1,240.00

6.Payment of Fees

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ The Total Fees Due were paid via EFS on Form PTO-875.


7.Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446 (a duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed):
- ☒ Any additional fees required under 37 CFR §1.17(e), §1.16(b)-(d) and/or §1.17(a)(1)-(4).

Respectfully submitted,

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